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APPENDIX A: REDLINED CLAIMS

Claims 2, 4 and 6 are canceled.

Claims 1, 7, 8, 9 and 12 are amended as follows:

1.(Once amended) An actuation system for a plurality of electrically actuated devices, comprising:

a pulsed light source of variable pulse frequency directed to a plurality of actuation gateways[.]; each gateway being adapted to supply an actuation voltage above a threshold value to an associated device when illuminated by light pulsed at a trigger frequency for that device; each said gateway comprising,

photovoltaic converter means for converting pulsed incident light to a pulsed electric current of corresponding frequency, and

frequency-sensitive transformer means for transforming the voltage of the pulsed current to a higher voltage above the threshold value for the associated device when the current

frequency is at a trigger frequency.

7.(Once amended) A system according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 in which the trigger frequency is a band of not more than about 3kHz within the range 10kHz-40kHz.

8.(Once amended) A system according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 in which the trigger frequencies of devices to be operated independently are separated by at least 3kHz.

9.(Once amended) A system according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 comprising optical pathway means for directing light from the light source to the plurality of actuation gateways.

12.(Once amended) A method of actuating a plurality of electrical devices, comprising providing an actuation system for the said devices according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, and selectively actuating a device by illuminating the actuation gateways with light pulsed at a frequency that corresponds to the trigger frequency of the selected device.